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## "The History Detective" Comes to Utah: Utah State History Conference, September 11-13

Gwendolyn Wright, "The History Detective," will be the keynote speaker at the 56<sup>th</sup> Annual State History Conference. Wright is a professor of architecture at Columbia University and a host of the popular PBS series "History Detectives." An innovative scholar as well as a dynamic presenter, she will speak Thursday, September 11, at 6:30 p.m. at the Salt Lake Public Library.

On Friday, September 12, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., the public is invited to historical sessions that will include presentations on Wallace Stegner; historical archaeology; Salt Lake City, Then and Now; Abraham Lincoln and Utah; Native American, African American, and Italian American history; polygamy; the Mountain Meadows Massacre; and more.

At 4 p.m. James Arrington will perform his original play commemorating the Utah War, *The March of the Salt Soldiers*. A reception will follow.

The public is invited to all of these free events, which will take place at the Salt Lake City Public Library.

On Saturday, the public can tour the Utah State Capitol Building with David Hart, executive director of the Capitol Preservation Board and Wilson Martin, State Historic Preservation Officer, both of whom know the building intimately. To attend this free tour, meet at the east entrance by the lions on Saturday, September 13, at 10:30 a.m.

For more information, see <http://history.utah.gov>, or call Lynette Lloyd at 801/533-3553.

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